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Via Electronic Docket

January 24, 2023

Re: Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea v. Tara Banfa-Louis, No. 22-cv-8303 (PKC)

The Hon. P. Kevin Castel
Daniel Patrick Moynihan United States Courthouse
500 Pearl St.
New York, NY 10007

Dear Judge Castel:

As directed by the Court I write to respectfully request the sealing of Petitioner's Exhibit 18, which contains text messages to and from our client CB-L, a minor child. The text messages are of a sensitive nature and sealing is warranted to protect the privacy and wellbeing of our client. See United States v. Amodeo ("Amodeo I"), 44 F.3d 141, 146-47 (2d Cir. 1995) (providing that access to judicial documents may be restricted where a party's interests in preventing disclosure outweigh those of the public in gaining access). Indeed, "family affairs" are "traditionally considered private rather than public," which "weigh[s] more heavily against access." Roberts v. Lederman, No. 04-cv-00033, 2004 WL 2238564, at *7 (E.D.N.Y. Oct. 4, 2004) (quoting United States v. Amodeo ("Amodeo II"), 71 F.3d 1044, 1051 (2d Cir. 1995)).

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

very truly yours,

Amelia T.R. Starr

Application GRANTED. SO ORDERED.

Dated: 1/24/2023

P. Kevin Castel

United States District Judge